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PETITION TO REVIVE UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely response to the Office Action mailed August 25, 1998, which set a three-month period for response. The abandonment date of this application is February 26, 1999.

Under 37 CFR 1.137(b) applicant hereby petitions the Honorable Commissioner to revive the above-identified application because the delay of prosecution of this application was UNINTENTIONAL.

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THE PROPOSED RESPONSE TO THE OFFICIAL ACTION

Please find enclosed an amendment fully responding to every issue in the Official Action.

REQUIRED PETITION FEE UNDER 37 CFR 1.17(m)

Please charge the Petition Fee of \$1210.00 for this Petition to Deposit Account Number 08-91800.

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